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EDUCATION

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- Johns Hopkins University** Baltimore, MD
MA., Sociology June 2009
- Yale University** New Haven, CT
The Fox International Fellowship Program 2006-2007
MacMillan Center
- Bogazici University** Istanbul, Turkey
MA., Modern Turkish History June 2004
Thesis title: Political mobilization in Turkey in the 1970s:
The case of the Kahramanmaraş Incidents
- Dokuz Eylul University** Izmir, Turkey
BA., International Relations June 2002

EMPLOYMENT

- Assistant Professor** İstanbul, Turkey
Koç University February 2015 – Present
Department of Sociology
- Supervisor Researcher** İstanbul, Turkey
*The new politics of welfare: Towards an “emerging market”
welfare state regime* January 2017 – Present
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Visiting Scholar
Harvard University
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Cambridge, MA
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Huazhong University of Science and Technology
Center for Rural China Governance

Wuhan, China
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Instructor
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East Asian Studies Program

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2007-2014

Instructor
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Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History

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Spring 2006

Research Assistant
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İstanbul, Turkey
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PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles (in SSCI Journals)

1. Burak Gürel, "Semi-private landownership and capitalist agriculture in contemporary China," *Review of Radical Political Economics* (Forthcoming).
2. Burak Gürel, Bernal Küçük, and Sercan Taş, "The rural roots of the rise of the Justice and Development Party in Turkey," *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, 2019, DOI: 10.1080/03066150.2018.1552264
3. Burak Gürel, "The role of collective mobilization in the divergent performance of the rural economies of China and India (1950-2005)," *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, 2018, DOI: 10.1080/03066150.2018.1434773
4. Burak Gürel, "Agrarian change and labour supply in Turkey, 1950-1980," *Journal of Agrarian Change*, Vol. 11, No. 2, 2011, pp. 195-219, DOI: 10.1111/j.1471-0366.2010.00299.x

Peer-Reviewed Articles (in non-SSCI Journals)

1. Burak Gürel, "Dispossession and development in the neoliberal era," *Ankara University SBF Journal* (Forthcoming).
2. Burak Gürel and Eylem Taylan, "Critique of the critics of Giovanni Arrighi's *Adam Smith in Beijing*," *Alternative Politics* (Forthcoming).

3. Burak Gürel, "Classes and status groups in times of great transformation: Reading agrarian change in Çukurova through the lens of Yaşar Kemal," *Hacettepe University Journal of Faculty of Letters* (Forthcoming).
4. Burak Gürel and Erdem Yörük, "The state, capital, and the historical sociology of capitalism," *Mülkiye Dergisi*, Vol. 42, No. 2, 2018, pp. 209-237 (Published in Turkish).
5. Burak Gürel, "Changing relations of production in Chinese agriculture from decollectivization to capitalism," *McGill Sociological Review*, Vol. 4, 2014, pp. 67-92.
6. Weigang Gong, Chengrong Duan, and Burak Gürel, "Regional variation of lineage culture and fertility transition in rural China," *Rural China*, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2013, pp. 258-310.
7. Burak Gürel, "'Communist police!' The state in the 1970s Turkey," *Journal of Historical Studies*, Vol. 2, 2004, pp. 1-18.
8. Burak Gürel, "Islamist and Fascist Politics in Turkey in the 1970s: Promises and Results." *Praksis*, No. 12, 2004, pp. 85-102 (Published in Turkish).

Book Chapters

1. Burak Gürel, "A critical review of Theda Skocpol's theory of revolution." In *Historical sociology and international relations*, ed. Faruk Yalvaç. Ankara: Nika Yayınevi, 2018, pp. 95-116 (Published in Turkish).
2. Burak Gürel, "Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer): The transformation of the Communist Party of Turkey from the October Revolution to Stalinism." In *Portraits from the Turkish left*, eds. Emirali Türkmen and Ümit Özger. Ankara: Dipnot Yayınları, 2016, pp. 171-184 (Published in Turkish).
3. Burak Gürel, "İsmail Bilen: The Communist Party of Turkey from belated rise to precipitated collapse." In *Portraits from the Turkish left*, eds. Emirali Türkmen and Ümit Özger. Ankara: Dipnot Yayınları, 2016, pp. 235- 252 (Published in Turkish).
4. Burak Gürel, "Islamism: A comparative-historical overview." In *The neoliberal landscape and the rise of Islamist capital in Turkey*, eds. Neşecan Balkan, Erol Balkan, and Ahmet Öncü. New York: Berghahn Books, 2015, pp. 13-40.
5. Burak Gürel, "Historical development of class struggles in rural Turkey." In *Marxism and classes: Classes and their struggles in Turkey and the world*, eds. Ahmet Tonak, Sungur Savran, and Kurtar Tanyılmaz. İstanbul: Yordam Kitap, 2014, pp. 303-385 (Published in Turkish).
6. Burak Gürel, "Islamism." In *Political science: Concepts, ideologies, and interdisciplinary relations*, eds. Gökhan Atılğan and E. Attila Aytekin. İstanbul: Yordam Kitap, 2012, pp. 407-428 (Published in Turkish).
7. Burak Gürel and Can Nacar, "Şefik Hüsnü (Değmer)." In *Political thought in modern Turkey, Vol: 8, The left*, ed. Murat Gültekingil, İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007, pp. 118-133 (Published in Turkish).
8. Burak Gürel and Fulya Özkan, "İsmail Bilen (Laz İsmail)." In *Political thought in modern Turkey, Vol: 8, The left*, ed. Murat Gültekingil, İstanbul: İletişim Yayınları, 2007, pp. 294-309 (Published in Turkish).

Book Reviews

1. Burak Gürel, “Mao redux?” (Extended review of Minqi Li, *China and the twenty-first century crisis*, Pluto Press, 2016), <http://www.historicalmaterialism.org> (Forthcoming).
2. *Caring for the poor: Islamic and Christian benevolence in a liberal world*, by Cihan Tuğal (Routledge, 2017). *New Perspectives on Turkey*, Vol. 60, 2019 (Forthcoming).
3. “Capitalist agriculture without land privatization in China” (Extended review of René Trappel, *China’s agrarian transition: Peasants, property, and politics*, Lexington Books, 2016), *Capital & Class*, Vol. 42, No. 3, 2018, pp. 563-567.
4. *How the west came to rule: The geopolitical origins of capitalism*, by Alexander Anievas and Kerem Nisancioglu (Pluto Press, 2015). *New Perspectives on Turkey*, Vol. 56, 2017, pp. 166-171.
5. *The third great depression: The twilight of capitalism*, by Sungur Savran (Yordam Kitap, 2013). *Praksis*, No. 38, 2015, pp. 229-232 (Published in Turkish).
6. *Peasants under siege: The collectivization of Romanian agriculture, 1949-1962*, by Gail Kligman and Katherine Verdery (Princeton University Press, 2011). *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, Vol. 41, No. 2, 2014, pp. 291-294.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Deniz Yüret, Erdem Yörük, Çağrı Yoltar, Burak Gürel, Fırat Durusan, Osman Mutlu, “Lab on ProtestNews: Extracting protests from news.” In *Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum (CLEF)*, Lugano, Switzerland, September 9-12, 2019 (Forthcoming).
2. Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Erdem Yörük, Deniz Yüret, Çağrı Yoltar, Burak Gürel, Fırat Duruşan, and Osman Mutlu. “A task set proposal for automatic protest information collection across multiple countries.” In *European Conference on Information Retrieval*, Cologne, Germany, April 14–18, 2019, DOI: [10.1007/978-3-030-15719-7_42](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-15719-7_42)
3. Arda Akdemir, Ali Hürriyetoğlu, Erdem Yörük, Burak Gürel, Çağrı Yoltar, Deniz Yüret, “Towards generalizable place name recognition systems: Analysis and enhancement of NER systems on English news from India.” In *Proceedings of the 12th Workshop on Geographic Information Retrieval*, November 6, 2018, Seattle, DOI: [10.1145/3281354.3281363](https://doi.org/10.1145/3281354.3281363)
4. Murat Koyuncu, Erdem Yörük, and Burak Gürel, “Welfare as counter-insurgency in contemporary India.” In the *76th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, April 6, 2018.
5. Erdem Yörük, Ali Bargu, and Burak Gürel, “Social assistance as a counter-insurgency strategy in contemporary China.” In the *76th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference*, Chicago, April 8, 2018.
6. Burak Gürel, Bermal Küçük, and Sercan Taş, “Rural roots of the rise of the Justice and Development Party in Turkey.” In *Confronting Authoritarian Populism: Resistances and Alternatives in Rural Contexts*, International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, March 18, 2018.
7. Burak Gürel, “Rural land policy debates in China since the 1980s: Contradictions and convergences of the developmentalist, welfarist, and individualist approaches.” In *Urbanizing Rural China: Challenges of Rural Governance*, Danish Social Science Research Council, Skagen, February 23-25, 2018.

8. Burak Gürel and Erdem Yörük, “The politics of social assistance in contemporary Asia: Comparative analysis of China, India, and Turkey.” In *Whither West Asia*, University of Sussex Asia Center, May 16, 2017.
9. Burak Gürel, “The Syrian civil war and Turkey’s transformation into the world’s biggest refugee camp.” In *Crises and Victims: A Workshop on Refugees, Migrants and Anti-Refugee Discourses in a New Way*, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation Warsaw, Karl Polanyi Center for Global Social Studies, and *Eszmélet* Journal, Budapest, February 27, 2016.
10. Burak Gürel, “The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1947-1992).” In *East Asian Studies Spring 2014 Student Symposium: Transforming East Asia*, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, April 11, 2014.
11. Burak Gürel, “Landownership and capitalist agriculture in China.” In *Agrarian Development in China: Legacies and Prospects*, The Arrighi Center, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, November 1, 2013.
12. Burak Gürel, “Changing relations of production in Chinese agriculture from decollectivization to agrarian capitalism.” In *21st Annual Columbia Graduate Student Conference on East Asia*, Columbia University, New York, February 10-11, 2012.
13. Burak Gürel, “Peasant struggles over land in Turkey (1960-1980).” In *Historical Social Science-Graduate Student Conference*, Binghamton University, Binghamton, New York, April 28-29, 2007.
14. Burak Gürel, “Land occupation as a form of peasant resistance in Turkey (1968-1980).” In *The Political Economy of the Middle East in the Age of Empire: Historical, Theoretical, and Political Reflections*, York University, Toronto, March 23-24, 2006.

INVITED TALKS

1. Burak Gürel and Erdem Yörük, “Punitive containment through welfare provision? Protests and the implementation of the Dibao program in contemporary China.” In *East Asian Studies Speaker Series*, Johns Hopkins University, April 2, 2019.
2. Burak Gürel, Speech at “Plenary 1: Authoritarian populism: Rural roots and consequences.” In *Confronting Authoritarian Populism: Resistances and Alternatives in Rural Contexts*, International Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, March 17, 2018.
3. Burak Gürel, “Landownership and capitalist agriculture in China.” In *Rajawali Doctoral Fellows Workshop Series*, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, September 7, 2016.
4. Burak Gürel, “The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1950-1980).” In *Social Science Seminars*, Koç University, İstanbul, February 20, 2014.
5. Burak Gürel, “The role of labor mobilization in the divergence of the rural economies of China and India (1947-1992).” In Center for Development Studies, Trivandrum, Kerala, March 22, 2013.

THESIS ADVISING AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE**Koç University**

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Graduate teaching*SOCI-CSHS 504: Historical Sociology*

Fall 2015, 2017

Undergraduate teaching*SOSC 110: State and Society*

Spring 2015, 2016, 2017; Fall 2016

SOCI/INTL 421: Political Sociology

Spring 2016; Fall 2016, 2017

SOCI 426/HIST 426: Economy, Society and Politics in Asia

Spring 2018

Johns Hopkins University

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Undergraduate teaching*AS.310.204: Rural Development in Asia*

Fall 2013

Boğaziçi University

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Undergraduate teaching*HTR 312: History of the Turkish Republic II*

Spring 2006

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Emancipatory Rural Politics Initiative Grant (2017-2018).
2. Koç-Harvard Visiting Scholar Program Grant (Summer 2016).
3. Stephen and Lynn Browne Graduate Student Teaching Fellowship, East Asian Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University (Fall 2013).
4. Research Grant, Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2012).
5. Research Grant, East Asian Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2012).

6. Chinese Government Scholarship (Awarded scholarship as a full-time language student at Wuhan University in 2009-10).
7. Research Grant, Program in Global Social Change, Department of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
8. Research Grant, East Asian Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
9. Research Grant, Institute for Global Studies, Johns Hopkins University (Summer 2009).
10. The Fox International Fellowship Program, MacMillan Center, Yale University (2006-2007).
11. Conference Travel Grant, Bogazici University (March 2006).

UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

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Comparative Studies in Society and History
Journal of Agrarian Change
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Praksis
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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LANGUAGES

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